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Select Miscellany.

RUDOLPH.

BY H. E. HARRINGTON.

Switzerland, by the prowess of her sons had been wholly freed. But Appenzell, a neighboring province, had not been a partner in that glorious league, and her children still frowned beneath the lash of oppression. The Abbot of St. Gall was their hated lord—taxes were heaped upon them, and the cruelty and oppression of his menials, pressed the galling chain into their already festering flesh. It was in vain to plead poverty, or hope to evade the burden; for the ferocious dogs were let loose on the unwilling, and the wages of tyranny were steeped in blood. But there are lands whose very breath is freedom, and such was Appenzell. The winds that blow over her valleys from her heaven-piercing mountains have no taint of slavery—the snows that glisten on their jagged peaks, and the glaciers that sleep on their bosoms, are stainless forever; and stainless too, are the hearts that are bathed in those roving winds—fetterless the feet that tread the snow-track, and climb the slippery ice-hill. Appenzell bore affliction long; but when the grave of the dead was violated, and the garments that filial love had robed the cold clay of a parent, were stripped from the corpse by fiendish rapacity, it was time for action. By one bloodless effort the Abbot of St. Gall was expelled from the scene of his iniquity.

The ten imperial towns of Suabia were the Abbot's close allies; and in an ecstacy of rage and apprehension at this bold uprising of those whom he had regarded as brutes, to be scoffed at and trampled upon, he called upon them for their mighty aid.

It was granted; and on the morning of a day in May, 1403, a brilliant array of proud souled chivalry, that was but the van of a well-appointed army on foot, numbering thousands in its ranks, crossed the Linsenbuhel, and with braying trumpets and lofty hope, marched for the height of Voeglinseck. But Appenzell was wide awake. She had called upon the Swiss confederacy for aid; and though Schwyz alone grasped her offered hand, and sent three hundred brave men to help her, yet two hundred volunteers from Glaris, and the men of Appenzell, arrayed with their good allies, found themselves two thousand strong—two thousand peasants against six thousand war trained veterans—but those peasants were from the mountains of Switzerland!

Watchmen were on the cliffs, and when they came, fire answered fire from cliff to cliff in alarm, one embrace of wives and children, and the Appenzellers were ready. Eighty posted themselves so as to command the hollow way, while their allies were stationed in a wood. On came the cavalry in warlike array. They pass now within the shadows of the narrow pass, where the very loneliness suggests danger—they grasp with firmer clench their friendly blades and spur their proud horses hard.

But now a shout makes the echoes ring; and the ambushed eighty hurl stones on them from their slings, and wound them with their lances; while the men of Glaris and Schwyz sally out from the thickets, rush upon them in flank and lash them into confusion. But "on! on!" though death be threatning from every tree, and every overhanging crag, and on they go in desperate conflict and almost desperate loss. They reach the crag at last; but there outpours the whole force of Appenzell like a mountain torrent.

What could the Swabains do, bestriding fiery charges on the craggy height, with foemen all around? "Back! back!" shouts the leader, in very pity for his gallant troop, and turning short, they gallop madly down. "The day is lost!" flies from rank to rank—they waver, they hesitate, they halt! Gad moment for Appenzell. They charge upon them as they fly along the hollow, slay them as if it were but play. Alas for the glory of the ten imperial towns, the allies of the Abbot of St. Gall! Six hundred cavaliers mangled in the pass, and who shall number the aobler dead!

Many of the most experienced soldiers and the trustiest citizens of the imperial towns had perished in this conflict, which then withdrew their support from the cruel Abbot of St. Gall: for they could not afford to make widows of more wives, and leave more children fatherless. In this extremity he resolved to bestir the lion of Austria, that if its echoing roar did not scatter fear through the peasant horde, its angry gripe should be his revenge. So he assailed the Duke Frederick with earnest and persuasive appeals, to muster men and fight in his own, if not in the Abbot's behalf. He prevailed. Fearful of the loss of his seignories in the Higher Alps, should the Appenzellers prove victorious, he called out a powerful force, which, formed in two divisions, marched for the contested ground the one upon Aybon, and the other upon St. Gall. The sky looks black for Appenzell.

'Twas a gladsome day for Werdenberg, when Count Rudolph, its lord, brought to his own domain, the bride of his heart and bosom.

There was merrymaking then, and the sweet Linda smiled, and the tears glistened in her eyes, as amid the shouts of the dependants, and the perfume of flowers, strewn by young maidens in her path, as she rode up to the castle gate.

"I bring thee to no humble home, lady mine," lovingly said Rudolph, as they rode; "Look you! yon majestic castle will be our abiding place; and beneath its sacred roof, sacred indeed to me, my noble ancestors have dwelt for centuries without one stain of cowardice or dishonor to blot our fair escutcheon! Far too, as thine eye can see, all is thine and mine—mine from those father-warriors whose valor won and preserved them When Rudolph yields them up, be that day of his degration the witness of his death!"

The feast and dance completed the festivities of that long-remembered gala-day, and not until the "noon of night" had flitted by the castle on its shadowy wing, did the revellers repose in the weariness that is the fruit of the merriest gladsomeness, as well as of the stardiest toil.

At last all was still save the trampling of the sentries, maintaining strictest watch; for those were days, when the sword of aggression was sharp, and the eyes of the aggressor were wide open. Time had elapsed for Rudolph to be sunk in repose, when plainly to the startled sentinels,

"Adown the glen, rode armed men,
Their trampling sounded nearer."

Afar off, in the Rienthal, the valley of the Rhine, were the confused and mingling sounds, familiar to a soldier's ear, of the steady approach of a body of horse; the click of armor and the clatter of many hoofs, like the rush of a mountain torrent. Soon, nearer than the main body, the rapid gallop of a single steed was heard. It ascended the hillside near the castle, and soon the brisk notes of a trumpet awoke the slumbering echoes. It was answered at once, and as merrily from the castle wall, chasing from the eyelids of the sleepers their short repose.

Rudolph was the first to meet in the hall, a well accoutred Squire.

"Welcome, Sir Squire," he cried; "not the less that your coming is somewhat importune, and I cannot therefore give you so fair a greeting as becomes the house of Werdenberg."

"Thanks, thanks, Count Rudolph" answered the Squire with a jaunty air, that brought a frown to Rudolph's brow, "it boots little to myself, but I stand herald here, to Grindel of Mayenfield and fifty other knights, who will be glad with their five hundred retainers to take that hospitality; for they have ridden hard since yesterday's sun."

"They are full welcome, and by my knighthood they are near, and speed to be ready well befitting."

"They rode not far from me, and I opine they mount the berg at this moment," said the Squire.

Rudolph hastily sounded through the castle the note of preparation. The servants were roused, the disordered tables were set in array, the meats, whose lordly plenteousness, the feast of the evening, had not the half consumed were brought out, the huge flagons were refilled; and when the gates swung back on their ponderous hinges, and the rough pavement of the court-yard resounded with the ringing of many hoofs, while hundreds of voices joined in tumultuous din, Rudolph was by to extend the hand of greeting to Grindel of Mayenfeld and the fifty knights, and felt no misgiving that they would find right dainty viands and enough to satiate their hunger. He sprang to Grindel's charger's side, with high-born courtesy, and gently pushed aside the attendant Squire, assisted him to dismount, speaking at the same time words of heartfelt welcome.

The knight of Mayenfeld replied, but there was something bold, assuming and cavalier in his tone; and when all were out of saddle, and entered the hall they sprang to the tables and attacked their goodly store, with an indifference to Rudolph that he was ill disposed to brook. Grindel without a word, had seated himself in Rudolph's own place, and urged his companions to ply their knives and attack the portly flagons, as though he were at his own board in Mayenfeld, and these his bidden guests.

"By my faith Sir Grindel," said Rudolph near, "thou dost administer the rites of hospitality as faithfully as though I had delegated my place to you; so, if it please thee, be thou the guest, and sit here in this seat of honor on my righ; while I warrant thee, thou shalt have nothing to complain of in my administration."

"Set thee at rest," cried Grindel, whom huge draughts began to warm; "I care not now to change, and it little matters! Fill up! Fill up! to the brim, and pledge me all, to our master Frederick, and the gay plumed peacock of Austria!"

Rudolph, whose mind was engrossed by the contemplation of Grindel's insolence, stood aloof, with folded arms and scowling brow, half resolute to summon his retainers and eject the revellers, or force them to purchase with blood the freedom they now audaciously assumed. In such a frame of thought, he did not respond to the toast proposed by Grindel, to which the knights gave tumultuous assent, and which was drank on foot with stunning shouts, in brimming bumpers. When they were seated again, Grindel turned to him, and sneeringly exclaimed:—

"Does it not suit thee, Sir Rudolph, that your brow is knitted—this our toast? Now by St. Francis, but this open rejection of the Duke Frederic may chance to reach his ear?"

Rudolph started from his position, and advancing to the table, seized a goblet, and replied: "Such a story to the Duke were foul and shameful; and thus I prove my friendly heart: "Here's to the great Duke Frederic!"—He drained the bumper to the dregs; and added: "But this I pray ye, bear to him, that Rudolph of Werdenberg, while he does him homage, has seen those who serve him, braggarts of knighthood, too, whom he would scorn to count as his fellows!"

The fifty knights started from their seats with oaths of revenge, and laid each his hand on his sword; while every scowling face was turned upon Rudolph, but Grindel interposed:

"Nay, nay, good friends, give over! This blustering gentleman deserves your pity rather. A truce! a truce! Fair words and deeds, for I have a friendly boon to ask. Rudolph, we have heard that thou didst but yesterday espouse the beauteous Linda of Hartzingen. Shall we not hail the bride of Werdenberg?"

"The bride! the bride! shouted all in rejoinder. Rudolph, with boiling blood, replied to Grindel:—

"Thou art a knight of fame and honor. Blast not that fame and honor now, by insult to a woman!"

"It might become thee proud talker, to pass more kindly words. I'll give thee a lesson in humility that may, perchance, drag down that lordly look of thine! Know then that Grindel of Mayenfeld claims rule in Werdenberg, by commission of Frederic of Austria, to whom I rejoice thou bearest such affection. Pray thee, noble sir, shall we greet the fair Linda now?

Rudolph felt to his heart's core the precipice on which he was standing.

"I pray thee pardon me, Sir Grindel, for I knew not that it pleased the Duke to relieve me of the burden of my possessions and bestow them upon thee. I do repent me of my refusal; and go to see the lady Linda fitly arrayed for the greeting of the new lord of Werdenberg!"

He bowed and strode away; while a shout of triumph at his fancied discomfiture, echoed through the hall. The senechal, who had listened, with trembling anxiety to this war of words, followed unseen, and encountered him in a near corridor.

"Well met! good Wechsal—horses—horses! beyond the private gate—and see them out speedy!—away!"

They parted, and Rudolph hastened to Linda. The servants had seen that all was not right in the castle—that the comers bore not the demeanor of guests, but rather of rulers; and the mysterious aspect of affairs had been whispered about from mouth to mouth, from male to female, till it had reached the ear of Linda. Alarmed for Rudolph's safety, she had arisen and attired herself; and when he had entered the apartment, he exclaimed:—

"This is well, dear Linda; I thought to have been delayed by thy toilet, love. Pray thee, hasten. Array thee for thy horse, for we must ride hard to-night. Question not, but speed!"

Loving and trustful, she needed no second appeal, and in a few moments she rejoined him.

His well tried blade was on his thigh, and his frame had been encased already, ere the knights had come, in a steel shirt of mail, whose jointed links played easily with his motion, and allowed the free play of his sinewy limbs. Half bearing Linda with one arm, while with the other he supported his sword, so that its clanking might not be heard, he passed from the castles, to the designated place beyond the wall.

The horses were ready there—his own black charger, who suffered no other than himself to bestride his noble back—and a gentler, yet a sturdy beast, which Linda might safely ride. A moment, and, accompanied by the seneschal and one attendant else, Rudolph led the way with his bride, an exile from his lordly home little thinking in that anxious moment, of his triumphant address to that now tremulous and flying creature, one night agone, as amid gladsome welcomings, kinder auspices, alas! he ushered her to that lordly home!

The steeps that surrounded the castle were safely descended, the boisterous sounds of the yet continued revelry, had grown dimmer to the ears of the fugitives, and jutting crags had shut them out from sight of the castle, when, in a saddened tone Rudolph said to the seneschal.

"So, Wechsal, didst not dare to share thy secret with another—and are all I trusted, save thou and Arnolph here, so careless of me, that they track me not, and I must speed through the Rhienthal to Ardon with foemen all around, and none besides ye twain for company?"

He had scarcely spoken when, as they turned abruptly as the path widened, they came upon a troop of fifty horsemen all drawn up by the roadside, still as if they had been hewn from the stones of the crags around.

One look at each, as he rode by them, and even in the faint light of the early dawning, he knew them for his own—of all, the bravest—them whom he would have chosen for the fiercest charge, and felt that none were worthier of trust, not one but would have died for him!

"All's well—all's well!" he said in a low voice to Wechsal, while his eye moistened with generous feeling; "thou hast done well in this! Forward! Would Grindel and the fifty knights were within sword reach now!"

The horsemen parted, inclosing their leader in the midst; the troop struck in a brisk gallop as soon as the valley was reached, and fast receded from the desecrated town of Werdenberg.

The work—flying among the mountains, that fiercer foeman than ever the Abbott of St. Gall and the ten imperial towns—the troops of Frederic of Austria, led by his bravest and best skilled generals—yes accompanied and cheered by the Duke in person, were on their march for Appenzell, summoned the anxious yet undismayed peasants to consultation upon their safety. They gathered in the Town Hall at Arbon, with stern and lowering orows; such as men of lofty purpose are wont to wear, when wives, children, and homes are the stake of victory or defeat. They met, knowing that the utmost force they could muster would be but a handful against the thousands of the enemy, and that not a drop of blood must be poured from their own veins that would not moisten the earth about the tender shoot of liberty, and lend it sweet support.

They had scarcely organized, when suddenly Rudolph of Werdenberg, full armed, came into their midst—a noble, one of the proud and haughty class whose voices and swords were, as yet, without any exception on the side of their oppressors; and to any one of whom they would have deemed it madness to apply in the hope of sympathy and succor. They started, and gazed upon him, some ready to rush upon him in the thought that he was leagued with their foemen, who had hemmed them round about, and that he had come to bid them surrender or perish—others in mute amaze. He spoke:—

"Men of Appenzell," he said—these are the self-same words which faithful history records the noble-hearted Rudolph to have spoken—"The Duke's army is again in motion, and even now, perhaps violating our sacred frontier. Ye all know me, who and whence I am! Stript of my inheritance I have nothing but the sword of Werdenberg and my incorruptible faith; these I offer you with a heart warm as your cause. Will you receive me as a free fellow citizen?"

One glance at the high earnestness of his look, had been an assurance of his faith to very strangers; but these knew that the word of Rudolph had never been broken.

"We will! We will!" cried all, in one glad echoing shout, on which Rudolph threw down his casque, stripped himself of his armor, and the insignia of his nobility, and arraying himself in the humble dress of a mountain shepherd exclaimed:—

"Now I am free indeed! and wearing the garb of freemen, henceforth I will yield only the sword of freedom and live or die in its cause!"

A second stunning acclaim greeted this glorious avowal. On the spot he was elected their General, and to him was committed the conduct of the war. Linda had been sent into the fastness of the interior, under the escort of the horsemen, and he devoted himself at once to the great work. Fortifications were thrown up along the frontier; troops were enrolled and banded, a fresh league was entered into with St. Gall, and all was ready for the invaders.

Hope was high—as unfaltering resolve, for Rudolph of Werdenberg was their General, and their war-cry was:—"Freedom and Appenzell!"

The freedom-fight approached. One body of the Austrians crossed the boundary on a drizzly day in June, and began the ascent of the Andelfstoss.

They made slow, laborious progress, for the grass was short, and the path was rendered slippery by the rain. The remembrance of the most dreadful arms of the shepherd warriors in days gone by—days of victory to the untrained men of the mountains—the trees that grew upon and the rocks that formed part of the overtopping crags—was also upon their souls and imparted a silence of strange fear, as they slowly mounted the steep; those war-trained men, who, on the open plain were brave to the last in victory or defeat. But here were untried, unknown action; here was a foe who could fight as well on the mountain-side as in the open plain, and who came too, with a burst like the thunder-stroke!

So it was now; once well upon the steep, and down came huge masses of rocks and logs of timber into their midst, crushing in horrid destruction, and inspiring the terror, which danger so unavoidable by any effort—unseen, as it was—could not save but create. Yet the troops marched on, over the bodies of the slain. But when they had attained half the ascent, Rudolph gave the signal to charge. "Freedom and Appenzell!" shouted four hundred voices, and with the shout the Appenzellers rushed forth, barefooted—for so they could tread firmly the slippery ground and fell upon the disordered ranks. Rudolph—barefooted too, and with manly voice and vigorous action, when the fight was thickest—urged his fellows on! The Austrians threw aside their bows, for the rain had relaxed and rendered the strings useless, and with sword and spear fought bravely to maintain their ground. They were mowed down in dreadful havoc; but their numbers were constantly increased, and the places of those who fell immediately supplied by the thousands in the rear. Thus they were but kept at bay, and yielded not an inch. But Rudolph of Werdenberg had planned the fight; and now, at the critical moment, a fresh body of Appenzellers, unseen as yet, came rushing from the wood, and made as if to fall upon the enemy's rear and cut off its retreat. Then the terror was complete—then the panic struck Austrians turned, every man for himself, and fled adown the steep. For six hours they were pursued along the Rhienthal, like a frightened herd, and when they were left to rally at last, their bravest were not of them—for they were sleeping on bloody pillows on the steeps of the Anden-stross and along the reeking valley.

Thus for one body of the vanuting foe. The sky is clearer for Appenzell!

In the mean time, the other division of the Austrians, with whom was the Duke in person, spread desolation through all the country as it advanced, ravaging and burning, and surrounded, in their martial and imposing array, the ramparts of St. Gall.

The town, however, was too well manned and fortified to be taken with a longer siege, and a severer struggle than the Duke cared to waste upon it; so his intention was changed, and he proceeded, in his anticipated triumph of vengeance, towards Arbon.

But its inhabitants, formed into numdrous bands, fell upon his advanced guards on every side, with that earnestness which characterized every effort of the mountaineers, and so routed them, that the main body itself hesitated to advance. Just now, word came to the Duke of the destruction on the An-den-stross; and boiling under these repeated checks and losses, the more galling, because inflicted by those too contemptible to be feared by such as he, whose fields he had thought to lay waste, whose villages to burn, and whose troops to slay, without a pause in progress, he took, there by the Hauptlisberg, where his advanced guard had been checked, a solemn oath never to leave the land until he had purchased great and glutting revenge for the stain upon the proud banner of Austria! Then and there too he framed a plan of operation, so cunning, that success would be certain. The command was given to retreat, and the whole forces seemed thereupon to be in full march for the Tyrol. On they went as if in the recipitation of disappointment and fear, towards the Rhine; when the village of Shal being reached halt was made, the ranks were set in array, and, in the confidence of triumphant Generalship, were ordered to mount the steep declivities of the Wolfshalden! Will they reach the top? Where is Rudolph—where the Appenzellers? Are they deceived, and rejoicing afar off over fancied victory? Higher go the Austrians—is there not one sword to slay them?

"Freedom and Appenzell! Freedom and Appenzell!" They are there, all ready! and again, as on the Stross, with that glorious victory to spur them into bolder action, they fall upon the foe! What need of words? The reader's eye kindles, for he knows ere I tell it that before the dews of night fall, the maddened Duke, alas for his solemn oath! was flying towards the Rhine, all with shattered and broken hearted forces, and the moon looked down on the Wolfshalden and her cold rays fell on the lifeless heaps of fighting men—who never would fight more. The sky is all bright for Appenzell!

Rudolph of Werdenberg is in the hall of his fathers; Linda is by his side, and the tables groan again!—But they who sit beside them are not the fifty knights, but the shepherds of Appenzell.

"Bring forth the prisoner!" he cries, and behold! Grindel of Mayenfeld, bound with clanking chains, is led into the midst.

"Hail, Sir Grindel," cried Rudolph; "tis a season since I saw thee, and strange things have happened since I left thee in this self same hall. I told thee I went to see the Lady Linda fitly arrayed for thy greeting. I pray thee pardon me that I have tarried so long, and believe, that I have been well at work. Yet now I bring her, and thou canst greet her. Grindel of Mayenfeld! Knock off his chains! Thou art free and forgiven and shalt have safe conduct to the Tyrol; and will have to tell, beside other tales of the men of Appenzell, how thou likest the Lady Linda of Werdenberg! Thou need'st not bear the message I gave thee to Frederic of Austria, for I have told him a story myself, and I warrant me he will not soon forget it! Farewell!"

So out went Grindel of Mayenfeld, less proudly than with his fifty knights and five hundred followers, he had before come in.

[From the Raleigh Sentinel.]

WINSTON.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME—MARVELOUS GROWTH—IMMENSE TOBACCO TRADE—MERCANTILE HOUSES, CHURCHES, LAWYERS, DOCTORS, AND EDITORS.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

EDITOR SENTINEL:—Winston is the capital of Forsyth county, and was named in honor of Joseph Winston, who rendered important military services in the revolution, and it may not be uninteresting to the general reader to give a short history of this distinguished personage.

Joseph Winston was a native of Stokes county, and an early and devoted friend of liberty, representing his native county in the meetings of the patriots in 1775–76. In 1777 Governor Caswell appointed him commissioner to treat with the Cherokee Indians. He had associated with him in this important task, Col. Waightstill Avery, William Sharpe and Robert Lanier, who made the treaty by which all the lands lying in the States of Tennessee, North Carolina and Virginia, were ceded by the Indians. He was one of those gallant spirits who, on the 7th of October, 1780, led the brave mountaineers, on the heights of Kings Mountain, and drove the British and Tories from their position, and says the historian, a position which their officer, Col. Ferguson, (British) had impiously declared, "that God Almighty could not drive them from." He ranked as major in this bloody and memorable battle, and with Cols. McDowell and Sevier, commanded the right wing of the American army. He was the first Senator elected to the Legislature from Stokes county and served in the session of 1701; and from that time to 1812, he was repeatedly elected to the General Assembly, serving his county and the State faithfully. In 1793—'95 he represented his district in the Congress of the United States, and again from 1807. He lived near Germanton, and died in 1814.

A GROWING TOWN.

After the formation of Forsyth county from Stokes, in 1848, it became necessary to form a county seat, and the authorities of Salem sold to the county a site to build her capital, which is immediately north of and is only separated from Salem by a street; in fact a stranger would never observe that there are two towns. Except the court-house, jail and some private residences, there was very little improvement manifested until the year 1870. When it became evident that the Salem Branch railroad, from Greensboro, would be completed, it imparted an impetus to Winston seldom equalled anywhere. At that time the population was only 450. In 1872, however, when the road was completed, the improvement became sure, steady and rapid, and now there are over 2,000 inhabitants. From October 1st, 1874, to October 1st, 1875, 147 new houses were built, and there are at present 30 new buildings under construction. Its inhabitants are a high-toned, honorable, real go-ahead, roll-up-your-sleeves and pitch-in-yourself sort of people; kind and generous-hearted, but have no earthly use for drones. They act upon the principle that man was made for something better than sitting on goods boxes, whittling pine sticks, smoking cheap cigars and staring at feminine ancles on muddy crossings—for a nobler, higher purpose; to make the world better by their having lived in it. Industrious, enterprising and upright settlers will be received with open arms, warm hearts and an earnest cordial welcome.

BIG TOBACCO TRADE.

The commerce of Winston is principally in tobacco and fruit. The last few years have developed in this section one of the finest tobacco growing regions in the State, not only as to quantity but quality. As an illustration of the amount of business being done here, I will give a few facts. In February, 1872, Major Brown, the pioneer warehouseman, commenced the sale of the article in an old stable, which, of course, he coopered up a little, and that year he sold at auction 300,000 pounds. Finding that there was money in the business, he erected a large warehouse; at the same time one other was erected, and the two in 1873, sold 2,000,000 pounds; in 1874, 3,000,000; in 1875, 4,000,000; and they think in 1876, the sales will reach 6,000,000 pounds There are now three large warehouses, and Major Brown has had to enlarge his warehouse twice since it was erected, until now it is the largest house of the kind in the State. His sales during last January amounted to upwards of $50,000, and one day alone they amounted to over $5,000. The major is an enterprising man, and giving his personal attention to the sales, the farmers are sure to get ths full market price for their tobacco. There are now five plug and one or two smoking tobacco factories in successful operation, and six more plug factories under construction. If that don't indicate business, the court does not think she understands herself.

The close of the tobacco season brings on the fruit, and I was informed that $1,000,000 worth of dried blackberries alone had been shipped from this point, besides various other kinds.

MERCANTILE HOUSES.

In the dry-goods line, I found Hodgin, Hinshaw & Co., Pfohl & Stockton, J. E. Gilmer, Newell & Mitchell, S. Rosenthal, M. H. Langfeld, Martin Grogan. These all have large stocks, and seem to be doing a thriving business. In groceries, B. F. Crossland and J. D. Paylor have the day. Drug stores two, V. O. Thompson and S. H. Smith. Hardware R. H. Crawford; and S. E. Allen, who so long and faithfully served the North Carolina Railroad as a General Ticket Agent, will open a hardware store on the first of January. It is proper to state that all the dry-goods houses deal also in groceries. N. T. Watkins & Son run a notion store. These are the principal houses. There are four or five smaller establishments whose names I did not get. But not much, nary time severly is there a grog shop. They have too much nice sweet milk and pure sparkling water, to need any whisky, crooked or straight. It is no place for an old soaker to move to.

PROFESSIONAL.

In the legal profession, Winston musters strongly and well, as this list shows: Joseph Masten, T. J. Wilson, Col. J. W. Alspaugh, C. B. Watson, J. C. Buxton, W. B. Glenn, D. P. Mast, and D. H. Starbuck. There are four doctors, but there is little use for them; the place is so healthy they amuse themselves telling yarns and driving around on visits of pleasure. However, should any one visiting the town be so unfortunate as to have need of a physician, he will find Drs. Preston Roan, H. W. Bynum, V. O. Thompson and S. A. Powell ready to administer to his ills.

CHURCHES.

The Presbyterian and Methodist congregations have excellent houses of worship. The latter are largely in the ascendancy as to numerical strength. The Baptist and Episcopal congregations worship in the courthouse. The Baptists are erecting a house which will soon be completed.

NEWSPAPERIAL.

There are two newspapers. The *Sentinel*, democratic, is presided over by G. M. Mathes, who kindly showed me around and gave me much of the information contained in this letter. The *Republican*, representing the most unrepublican party that ever cursed God's earth, is edited by J. W. Goslen. If Goslens grow as large as he is in that region, I would like to look one time upon a goose. But J. W. is not so goosey after all, for he treated me with all the journalistic kindness imaginable, and I take him to be a good fellow and a gentleman in spite of his politics.

HASHERIES.

Winston boasts of two hotels and several private boarding houses. I quartered at the Merchants', Pfohl & Stockton, proprietors. It has been said that if a traveler stops in a town where there are two or more hotels, and they ring a gong at one of them he should be sure to go to the other house, for a gong is all they have. That assertion will not hold water in every instance, for they ring a gong at the Merchants' and a more bountiful supply of better rations I never saw; I tell you they can beat half the world on fried chicken. Some of the boarders told me to be sure and mention that the best turkey-hash in Christendom was made at this hotel, but remembering what Josh Billings said about hash, I forbear. If you want a nice room, clean beds, and a good square meal, stop at the Merchants'.

THE COMING RAILROAD.

Winston will be materially benefitted if the Washington City, Midland & Great Southern Railway, which is already completed to Danville, Virginia, were extended on to Spartanburg, South Carolina, and for which a charter has been granted. It would be an almost direct line from Danville to Winston, Statesville and Spartanburg, thereby giving the people a choice of routes in shipping. It would also open up and develop a section of our State rich in minerals, for only 15 miles from Winston are exhaustless beds of the very finest coal. But this letter is growing too long. I will close, deferring the mention of Salem, its school, factories, and other notable features for another letter.

SALEM.

THE MORAVIAN SETTLEMENT—THE ACADEMY—ENTERPRISE—MERCHANTS, DOCTORS, &C.

COL. DONAN:—This is one of the oldest towns in North Carolina; a large number of the inhabitants still retain the tile roofing; the inhabitants are principally Moravians, who are a sober and industrious people, whose ancestors fled from Europe from religious oppression, and settled in this State and formed a colony. The government conveyed to them 100,000 acres of land by an act of Assembly in 1782. The first colony arrived in November, 1753. In looking at the zig-zag lines of the original grants on the waters of the Dan and Yadkin rivers, the question arose in my mind, why were they so crooked? My friend, E. A. Vogler, informed me that they did it so as to take in the rich bottom lands of the two rivers. This evidently showed a shrewdness seldom seen in those days.

Salem is the centre of a four mile square plat of land; and a stranger, to look at it south of the street connecting it with Winston, would very probably come to the conclusion that it was about finished; but such is not the case. The spirit of enterprise and go-aheadativeness which is so manifest in Winston, is permeating the inhabitants of Salem, and on the suburbs many large and handsome residences are taking the place of those ancient domiciles. Among those most notable is the large and palatial residence of Maj. R. L. Patterson, who, by the way, is one of the largest merchants in town, and as a clever, obliging gentleman, has few equals.

There are several points and places of interest in Salem that are worthy of note, and interesting to the general reader, for I presume that there is not a State south of the Potomac, and probably in the Union, that has not had daughters educated at the

SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY.

This is one of the most celebrated female schools in the State. It was established in 1804, and up to the present time, nearly 6,000 young ladies have been educated here. This number does not include the day scholars, which, according to the catalogue are twenty per cent. more, making the whole number upwards of 7,000. The instruction is thorough, and while this school does not give diplomas, the young lady who goes through the regular course will pan out as well as one from any other institution of the kind in the South. The discipline of the school is marked by three very essential points, system, regularity and punctuality; and while the young lady is made too feel at home and happy, at the same time she is fitted by the best training for the sober duties and solid realities of life. In the

DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

of the school, the pupils are distributed in companies or families, consisting respectively of those most nearly of an age, and numbering about twenty. Each company or family, has a sitting and a dressing room, and other apartments appropriated to its own use, and is under the special direction of two resident teachers, whose duty it is to preside in turn. They exercise a general monitorial and parental oversight over the pupils, subordinate only to the president and his wife, who occupy the position of parents to the whole family. In the catalogue for 1875, there are

TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

young ladies names enrolled; this speaks volumes for the management of the school. Rev. M. E. Grunert, the President, very kindly showed me through the buildings, and the two hours with him were spent very pleasantly, indeed. Mr. Grunert is about fifty years of age, and is every inch of him a man; kind and jovial, and tries to please those with whom he has intercourse. He is aided by a competent corps of teachers. In the studio I found specimens of art of the highest order.

THE CEMETERY

at Salem is kept in the best order of any I ever saw. There are four divisions in it, and each class are buried in their respective divisions, as follows: The old women in one division, the young women and girls in another, the old men in another, and the young men and boys in the fourth. There are some of the most ancient looking cedars in and around the cemetery I ever saw. Considering the age of the town and the number of inhabitants, there have been fewor deaths in this community than anywhere else on the continent, and I will venture the assertion that a stranger attending the Moravian church in Salem, on any clear day, will see a larger percentage of old people, in proportion to the number present, than in any other place of the same number of inhabitants.

Salem is a considerable manufacturing place. H. Fries is engaged extensively in the manufacture of woolen and cotton goods. The former is kept on sale by all first-class merchants. C. A. Hege, at the Agricultural Works, puts up a superior plow of his own patent, and his corn shellers are all the go in that region. He does all kinds of casting. W. G. Bahnson makes and repairs the thing what the people ride in—I mean buggies. He is a young man of fine address, understands his business, is steady, sober, industrious, handsome, and wants to get married. In the mercantile business I noticed Patterson & Co., and Ebert & Co., in the dry goods line; J. F. Shaffner, drugs, S. H. & S. A. C. Everett, hats and shoes. Lawyers, none, and oh! how that people are blessed; but if that expression is true, how about Raleigh? There are four doctors: J. F. Shaffner, H. T. Bahnson, T. F. Keehln, and N. S. Siewers. There is only one newspaper in the town; the *Press*, which seems to be doing a good business.

Salem can boast of the best cornet band in the State. They play well, and in their new dress, seated on the band wagon, drawn by the eight large bay horses of A. Fogle, with him as driver, cut a swell. It was my privilege to attend a concert given by this band while I was in Winston. They acquitted themselves finely, and exhibited considerable musical talent. Taking this occasion to return thanks for the many kindnesses received from E. A. Vogler, than whom no cleverer a gentleman lives, I will close lest I weary your readers.

R. W. B.

THE DEVIL'S WORK.

FULL PARTICULARS OF THE HORRIBLE DYNAMITE PLOT—GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION BY AN EYE WITNESS—A SCENE OF HORROR NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN—WHOLE FAMILIES SWEPT INTO ETERNITY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The following particulars respecting the dynamite explosion of Bremerhaven, are from the *Weiser Zeitung*: It appears that just before the vessel was about to sail, a cart containing four cases and a barrel was being unloaded for shipment. Suddenly a terrible explosion took place. The effect was awful. The quay was then thronged with people, partly belonging to the steamer, partly spectators and partly passengers, who had remained there to take a last farewell of their friends.

AN EYE-WITNESS,

who strod under the gangway of the *Mosel*, on hearing the terrific report, saw a number of black lumps flying about in the air, whilst very few of the persons on land remained visible. Apprehending a boiler explosion, he threw himself flat on deck, when he received a volley of sand, broken glass, fragments of flesh, bones, etc. The devastation on board the *Mosel* was terrific; no skylights left. The cabins aft, starboard, and port, were either crushed in or bulged out by the pressure, or altogether smashed. The side plates of the ship were burst. The ports with their glasses and rivets forced inwards, and the whole ship was

BESMEARED WITH BLOOD,

and stuck over with pieces of flesh and other human debris. In the hold and other parts of the ship, were found arms, legs, and other portions of the human frame; thus, the lower hold received some limbs through the open hatchway. The sides of the hatchway were burst by the pressure, and the front of the navigation cabin on deck stove in. The whole ship was litered with glass shreds, which even filled the dishes from the steam kitchen, as they were being served to the tween deck or steerage passengers. The tug got off comparatively unhurt, being so much more below the quay line than the *Mosel*; th whole of its deck was destroyed. The crew came off with a mere fright, only the engineers and stokers having been hurt slightly. On land, where the package had been unloaded, a hole had been produced from six to seven feet deep. The whole place was

STREWN WITH LIMBS,

shreds of dresses, etc. In large rocking pools of blood you might see here an arm, there a calf, intestines, mutilated busts, etc Among the most horrible details of this calamity is the fate of the Etmer family, who were seeing off one of their sons to California. The father, mother, son, and son-in-law are dead all four. The daughter-in-law has had her arm and her child its hand blown off. The case which exploded had been in the care of the carrier, Westerman, of Bremerhaven and accompanied on its way to the steamer by a Mr. Tumforde of whom it is said all trace has been lost. The cart was shattered into

THOUSANDS OF SPLINTERS,

and the poor horse had his feet blown off near the hoof. This barrel was made for Thomas by the master cooper Delvendahl. It was made of strong material, and was divided by means of a partition in the middle through which there was a hole. In the one division it is assumed that he had placed the igniting apparatus and the other filled with dynamite. He accompanied the barrel when it was taken to the depot of the North German Lloyd Company and told the porter it should be handled with care.

THE SCENES AT THE HOSPITAL AND DEAD HOUSES

was of the most harrowing character. The mutilated remains filled a large basket, which four strong men could hardly carry. There were also a number of heads which from time to time were inspected by the people looking for friends and relatives. About thirty wounded persons were in the hospital, and many others were in private houses; nearly every family in the little town has suffered severely. A Berlin special to the London *Times*, dated December 16th, says: Thomas' wife, with an infant four months old, has been conveyed to Bremerhaven from Dresden, where she has been staying with her husband for several months. Yesterday when over forty were buried

SOME CHESTS FULL OF HEADS,

legs, arms, and hands were likewise lowered into the earth. Whole families are destroyed and other families have not a single individual left unmaimed.

James Walker, of Wilmington, has been appointed master builder of the Western Insane Asylum.

Charles F. McKesson, of Morganton, is lecturing in the west for the benefit of the orphan asylums.

A fool in a high station is like a man on the top of a high mountain—everything appear small to him, and he appears small to ever body.

The People's Press.

SALEM, N. C.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1876.

LOOKING BETTER.—From New York, we learn, the year 1875 closed with symptoms of some improvement in the condition of business affairs, and there seems to be reason to hope that 1876 will open with a better feeling; there seems to be a growing disposition throughout the country to employ capital, which has long lain idle.

A REVIVAL YEAR.—Judging from the present out-look, 1876 will be the Revival year as well as the Centennial Year.

In New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Connecticut, and in New Hampshire, great revivals have been in progress for weeks; in some localities, daily meetings being held, and a number of conversions are reported.

From Washington.

The following appointments have been confirmed: Seward, Minister to China; Merrill, Minister to Belgium; Carpenter, Second Comptroller; Campbell, Collector of Internal Revenue for the third Texas district; Matthews, Supervisor of Internal Revenue, vice Mann, resigned; Mosely, Postmaster at Talladega, Alabama; Mullen, at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Dr. J. P. Hambleton, of Georgia, was elected clerk to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Memorials from the Arkansas Legislature were presented asking the refunding of cotton taxes, and the construction of national levees for reclamation of alluvial lands on the Mississippi river.

Gordon presented a memorial of the Grocers' Association of Atlanta, Georgia, against the restoration of the duty on tea and coffee.

Matters concerning banking, currency and resumption of specie payments by national banks were referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Matters pertaining to the legal tender notes were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On a call of States, among the bills introduced, was a bill to repeal the bankruptcy act, and a bill to make prisoners on trial before United States Courts competent witnesses.

Mr. Douglass, of Va., introduced a resolution for the appointment of a Select Committee to investigate the affairs of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company, and its several branches, and the causes of its failure, the parties responsible therefor, &c., with the names and residences of all the debtors of the Company Adopted.

Mr. M. Caldwell asked the number of U. S. troops stationed in the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Louisiana, on the 6th of December, 1875.

Morrison, of Illinois, offered a resolution directing the several committees having in charge matters pertaining to Indian affairs, military affairs, naval affairs, post offices, public buildings and grounds, claims and war claims to inquire into any abuses or frauds in the administration and execution of existing laws affecting those branches of public services with a view to ascertain what changes and reformation can be made so as to promote integrity, economy and efficiency; also instructing the committees on expenditures in the several departments to proceed at once as required by the rules of the House to examine into the state of the accounts and expenditures of the respective departments, whether all money have been disbursed in conformity with the appropriation laws, and what provisions are necessary to be adopted to provide more perfectly for the proper application of the public moneys, and to secure the government against demands unjust in character or extravagant in amount. Adopted.

Fort, of Illinois, offered a resolution declaring that the doctrine just enunciated by the House in the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Carson, of Indiana, is so wise and just that it should be followed by the officers of the House in filling the subordinate places under them, and instructing them in all such cases to give to well qualified Union soldiers the preference over soldiers of the late Confederate army. (Laughter.) He moved the previous question on its adoption. The previous question was not seconded. Lost by a vote of 78 to 103.

Wood, of New York, remarking that this was the Centennial year, a year in which all past dissensions, difficulties and controversies should be forgotten, and moved to refer the resolution to the Select Committee on the Centennial celebration. He wanted the House to go into business and have no more buncombe. The motion was agreed to—ayes 121, noes 91, and the resolution was accordingly referred.

In the House, on the 6th, Randall from the Committee on Appropriations reported a resolution instructing the Committee on Military Affairs to take into immediate consideration the pay and allowance of all officers of the army, and report whether in any, and if so, in what cases such pay allowances should be reduced. Adopted.

Mr. New, of Indiana, offered a resolution declaring that the fraternal feeling and good will now existing in all sections of the country and the manifest disposition and purpose of the men who battled against each other in the late civil war to join hands as one people in the future is most auspicious to the ushering in of the Centennial year, and that while thus the people are making an honest effort to live together in peace and to uphold the same flag of an undivided country, their representatives in Congress should do no act which would necessarily disturb the patriotic concord now existing and increasing not *wantonly* revive the bitter measures of the past.

He insisted on having the vote taken by yeas and nays, and it was accordingly taken and resulted in the resolution being unanimously adopted, yeas 198, nays 0.

A bill taxing sales of bonds, stocks and reducing tax on tobacco for the relief of tobacco growers and defining tax on malt liquors, referred.

A resolution for a select committee to inquire into the inraid robberies and murders along the Mexican border in Texas. Adopted.

Blaine asked Randall whether he desired to bring the House to a vote on his Amnesty bill on Monday next. Randall replied that he did. Blaine then said that he had a substitute to offer to it which he asked to have read and ordered to be printed. The substitute was read as follows: "That all persons now under the disabilities imposed by the 14th amendment to the Constitution of the United States, with the exception of Jefferson Davis, late President of the so-called Confederate States, shall be relieved of such disabilities upon their appearing before any Judge of any U. S. Court and taking and subscribing in open court the following oath to be duly attested and recorded, viz: "I, A. B., do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that to the best of my knowlege and ability, I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of a citizen of the United States."

The resolution of Mr. Goode, of Va., ordering investigations into marine corps manner of expending appropriations for ten war sloops and conduct of Navy Yards generally, causes great excitement in navy circles. Adjourned to Monday.

On the 10th, petitions were presented asking the repeal of the specie resumption act.

A resolution was submitted by Conover, of Florida, authorizing and requesting the President to declare and maintain the strictest neutrality between the government of Spain and the people of Cuba.

In the House, bills were introduced to repeal in part the act of last session, providing for the resumption of specie payments, and to facilitate the resumption of specie payment without contraction of the currency.

Amnesty bill considered to adjournment.

Mrs. Mary J. Holmes has just returned from Europe where she has been enjoying herself upon the proceeds of her story writing.

THE SCIENCE OF HEALTH for January, 1876, vigorously begins the year, and we consider it specially interesting. Some new topics are started, which are full of suggestiveness. The first chapter of a series of sketches, entitled "From the Cradle to the Grave; or, Studies in Family Life," is exceedingly promising and deserves a thoughtful reading. Ventilation, temperature, and clothing receive a seasonable notice under the head of "Popular Physiology." "The Drug Business" is humorously characterized. "Tobbacco Using" is "puffed" in the way it should be. There are some good thonghts on "Stairs and Sewing-Machines." "Butter and Olea-margarine" are discussed. The "Vine and the Grape" is the title of a very interesting and well illustrated essay. There are numerous fresh and savory receipes, and a full assortment of Editorial Items. Answers to Correspondents, Literary Notices, etc. Altogether we regard it as a capital representative number. Price, 20 cents per copy; $2 a year. S. R. WELLS & Co., Publishers, 737 Broadway, New York.

THE AMERICAN FARMER.—The first number of the new volume of the AMERICAN FARMER for 1876 is received, and is a capital one in every respect. The mass of practical information in every branch of agriculture, in this single number, is worth far more to any inquiring farmer who is anxious to improve his land and his condition, than the year's subscription. Published by SAMUEL SANDS & SON, Baltimore, at $1.50 per annum, or $1 for club of five or more. Specimen numbers will be forwarded when requested.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

STATE ITEMS.

The man who now pumps water for the engine at China Grove on the N. C. R. R. has been at it steadily for about 22 years, ever since the road was built.

It is estimated that fully 30,000 pounds of pork were lost in Wayne county by the recent warm weather. In other Eastern counties the loss in pork has also been heavy.

An old woman living near Old Fort, N. C. has, with the assistance of a large dog, captured two or three escaped convicts, delivered them to the officers, and received the reward offered for their capture.

Lewis Bagger, Solicitor of Patents, reports for the week ending December 31st, the following patent issued to a North Carolinian; No. 170,932, bale ties and hoop laces, to L. J. Bodenhamer, Kernersville, North Carolina.

The Raleigh *News* says: Sheriff Ashworth of Randolph advertises for sale at the Court House at Ashboro on the 7th day of February, the franchise, road-bed, and superstructure of the North Carolina Railroad such as lies in the county of Randolph, the same being due for taxes due from the road. Whether the company is unable to pay or whether it is resisting the assessments of County Commissioners we are not prepared to say, but it is inviting a good of this kind of trouble.

The *News* says: The Sec., of State has paid into the State Treasury, in the last four days, over five thousand dollars for grants issued for vacant lands, mostly in the western counties. All amounts over one hundred acres are charged fifteen cents per acre, and one hundred or less, at twelve and a half cents per acre. Grants were issued on last Friday to Mr. Wm. D. Sprague, of Morganton, for twenty-eight hundred dollar's worth of land in Caldwell county. Fifty or sixty more grants were issued a few days since for parties from all portions of the State.

Says the Wilmington *Star* of Tuesday: "The first fair of the colored Industrial Exposition Association, and the first fair of the kind ever held by the colored people of this State, was inaugurated here Monday.

"A procession was formed at twelve o'clock on Third Street, headed by the Rose Bud Band, followed by the Order of Good Samaritans, the colored Masonic fraternity, citizens on foot, carriage containing the orators, &c. The Fayatteville Star Band was also in the procession. The column, which was quite an imposing one, marched through the principal streets, halting at the grounds, corner of Eighth and Princess streets, where the speaking took place.

The following young men have just been licensed by the Supreme Court to practice law: Thomas Braxton Bailey, Davie county. Jacob Battle, Edgecombe couty. Edwin Thomas Boykin, Sampson county. William Frederick Campbell, Cumberland county. Theodorus Henderson Cobb, Lincoln county. William Joseph Griffin, Pasquotank county. Pinkney Bethel Johnson, Rockingham county. Alexander Spears Murphy, Rowan county. William Norfleet Newbold, Perquimans county. Richard Clingman Puryear, Yadkin county. Waightstill Burge Reinhardt, Rutherford county. Henry Howard Sandlin, Onslow county. George Mancius Smedes, Wake county. Harry Skinner, Pitt county. John Henry Smythe, col., New Hanover county. Julian Augustine Turner, Stanley county, and Walter Parker Williamson, Edgecombe county

The Asheville *Pioneer* says: No one article of exportation has employed more capital and industry, and brought more money into Western North Carolina, in the past five years, than mica. There is hardly a county west of the Blue Ridge but what it is found in greater or less quanties, but in the county of Mitchell nearly every land owner is the possessor of a mica mine. A few years since one of the firm of Heap & Clapp, Knoxville merchants, while on a business trip to that county, noticed a child playing with a large sheet of this shining mineral. As a stove-dealer, he knew its value as article of commerce. He made some inquiries in regard to where it could be found, and was answered: "You may pick it up most anywhere about here." He immediately began investigations below the surface of the earth, and finding it to exist in vast quantities, he leased a large tract of land for a nominal sum, and at once commenced mining operations under the title of Heap & Clapp. The result was most fortunate. Both gentlemen realized an independency from the venture. Mr. Clapp having since died, the business is still carried on by his lady and surviving partner. The widow recently refused $150,000 for her interest in the mines. She recently received, through her attorney, $109,000, her share of the receipts for mica sold from the 1st day of April, to the 29th day of October.

The Charlotte *Observer* says: A few days since the store-house of the late firm of Grier & Alexander was sold at auction, by the trustees. It was purchased by Col. J. L. Morehead, for $9,000. This property is situated on Trade street, between College and A, and is accounted as among the most valuable in the city. The property known as the Cruse Lots, on Tryon, Church and Seventh streets, near the Episcopal Church, was sold on yesterday. The property was divided into eight lots and the total amount realized from the sale of the eight lots, was $5,070. Six $100 shares of First National Bank stock were sold yesterday for $106 per share—$6 premium.

The Hon. Burton Craige, of Salisbury, died on Thursday morning, Dec. 30, at the residence of his son-in-law, A. B. Young, Esq., in Concord, where he had been lying sick for two or three weeks past, in the 65th year of his age. Mr. Craige was serving his fourth term in the United States Congress when the war broke out and afterwards one term in the Confederate Congress. He was one of the most prominent lawyers in Western North Carolina.

Foreign News.

There is a ministerial crisis in France. A Cabinet council was held Sunday night.

Serious disturbances are reported at Charleroi, Belgium. The military were obliged to interfere and many persons were killed. A battallion of guards has been sent to the scene of trouble from Brussels,

War is threatened in Europe on account of Turkish affairs.

Mrs. Augusta Evans Wilson has made $100,000 by novel writing in the past eight years, and she says that "Infelice" is her novel *a'adieu*. She has married a rich husband and lives near Mobile, Ala.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE PROPOSED MONUMENT TO GENERAL LEE.—S. Bassett French, secretary of the board of managers of the Lee Monument Association, Richmond, Va., has addressed a circular to the Southern press, in which he states that it is the desire of the board that every Southern family shall be visited and solicited to contribute to the proposed monument fund. It is believed that the 19th of January, the anniversary of General Lee's birth, will be the most suitable pay for the general canvass to take place; and circular letters have been prepared requesting ordinaries, judges of counties, and mayors of towns in the Southern States to "lay off their respective counties and towns into numerous and convenient divisions, and appoint canvassers for each, who, upon official notice given, shall on that day make the domiciliary visits and solicit generous contribntions." All returns are to be made to Hon. R. M. T. Hunter, treasurer of Virginia and also treasurer of the board.

ANCIENT CHURCH ARTICLES TO BE EXHIBITED AT THE PHILADELPHIA CENTENNIAL.—A gentleman in Richmond has received a letter giving a description of two communion services that will be sent to the Philadelphia Centennial for exhibition. They are to be sent by the Episcopal church at Williamsburg, Va., of which Rev. Dr. Wilmer is rector.

In this church, on occasions of the administering of the Holy Communion, two sets of communion service have been used. One is made of gold, being beautiful, and consists of only two pieces—a round, bowl-shaped cup with two handles, for the wine, and a small saucer for the bread. This set was given by some aristocratic old family, and bears their crest of arms—supposed to have been given to the church in 1760. The other set is of very heavy silver, and was given by George IV. (of course before the revolution of the colonies). It consists of three pieces—a tall tankard with top, much like the shape now in use, for holding the wine, a very handsome goblet of most beautiful proportions, very large, and a large, heavy plate for the bread—all of the pieces bearing the royal stamp, crown, &c. These curious and interesting pieces of church property will be sent to the Centennial in the hope of deriving some money for repairing the church.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

A special from Vicksburg says that the two Caldwell brothers, black, went into the streets at Clinton intoxicated and challenged the whole town to fight, finally retiring unmolested. About sundown Charles Caldwell, an ex-State Senator, appeared in the streets much intoxicated and declared himself afraid of no man. A pistol was accidentally fired in the rear of a store into which Caldwell had entered, when he ran into the cellar as the citizens rushed into the store. Caldwell commenced firing, and at the second fire Dr. E. G. Banks fell seriously wounded. The citizens returned the fire, mortally wounded Caldwell. Fearing more trouble the mayor telegraphed to Vicksburg for assistance. No further trouble was apprehended.

About three months ago an old and respected citizen of Petersburg died, leaving, as was supposed, a very small estate to be divided between a wife and several children. Among his effects was an old desk that he alone had had access to for the past twenty or twenty-five years. This family were very much surprised on opening the said desk recently to find that it contained bonds with coupons attached amounting to between forty and fifty thousand dollars, which had been purchased by him more than sixteen years ago. The interest coupons are still on them, none having been collected during that long period.—*Petersburg Index and Appeal.*

Somebody has been shown from the reports of the Bureau of Education that there are no fewer than 228 "universities and colleges" in our country, which conferred last year 3,520 degrees in course, and 443 honorary degrees. This was quite independent of the thirty-five agricultural colleges, with their 362 degrees; the 65 woman's colleges, with their 563 degrees; the 81 medical schools, with their 2,845 degrees; the 59 divinity schools, with their 630 degrees; and in fine a total of 8,858 degrees in course.

The New York *Sun* reports that, under the new arrangements, Mr. Beecher gets $45,000 as editor of the *Christian Union*, Mr. Cleaveland $10,000 as publisher, and Mr. King $5,000 as assistant publisher, and that several women in Brooklyn have invested in the stock of the paper, on the personal solicitation of Mr. and Mrs. Beecher.

New York wound up the century in characteristic style. The *Times*, of Sunday, records among the festivities a man shot at a hotel; two men stabbed; a boy shot; a milkman shot while going about his business; three men shot in one street; one in another, and a girl severely wounded by a pistol. And the atmosphere was not clear enough for good shooting either.

Meetings have been held over the whole State of South Carolina for the purpose of endorsing the course of Governor Chamberlain and protesting against the election of Moses and Whipper to the Circuit Court Bench.

Frank Moulton has entered suit against Beecher, for $50,000.

SUPREME COURT.—This tribunal convened in Raleigh last Monday week. Cases from the various judicial districts will be taken up in the following order:

1st week, 1st and 2d districts.
2d week, 4th and 5th districts.
3rd week, 3rd and 7th districts.
4th week, 8th and 9th districts.
5th week, 10th and 11th districts.
6th week, 12th and 6th districts.

MARRIED,

In Memphis, Tennessee, Miss MAGGIE H. DAVIS, daughter of Jefferson Davis, to Mr. J. ADDISON HAYES, cashier of the State National Bank.

At the residence of Hon. William M. Robbins, in Statesville, N. C., on the 29th of December, 1875, Rev. M. L. WOOD, (of N. C. Conference,) to Mrs. AMANDA A. ROBBINS. Rev. R. G. Barrett officiating.

At the residence of the bride's father, near Mt. Airy, on Thursday, Dec. 30th, 1875, by Rev. C. C. Haymore, Mr. STEPHEN WILLIAMS, of Va., and Miss SARAH J. MIDKIFF.

On Thursday, December 23d, 1875, by F. Brindle, Esq., Mr. WILEY FANCLER to Miss FANNIE BREWER; all of Forsyth.

On the 28th December, 1875, by F. Brindle, Esq., Mr. JAMES PATTON, to Miss NANCY ROMINGER; all of Forsyth.

On the 30th December, 1875, at the residence of the bride's father, by F. Brindle, Esq., Mr. JACOB SANDERS to Miss LYDIA BREWER, of Forsyth.

On the 21st ult., by J. H. Cox, Esq., Mr. JAMES E. ZIGLAR to Miss MATTIE E. MOORE. Also on the 23d ult., by the same, Mr. JAMES A. PETREE to Miss MARY ANN PEEPLES.

In Norfolk, Va., on the 22nd ult., M. H. PINNIX, Esq., of Lexington, N. C., and Miss COURTNEY BAXTER, only daughter of Dr. O. F. Baxter,

DIED,

In this Co., on Thursday last, Mr. WESLY BREWER

OBITUARY.

DIED, in Pfafftown, Dec. 30th, 1875, of consumption, CHARLES E. TRANSOU, youngest son of Ephraim and Adalaide Transou, aged 30 years.

If CHARLEY was unknown to fortune and to fame, it was because he sought neither. He was not ambitious. As a disciple of the Christ he had learned, not to seek the praise and honor of men, but to win by a life of righteousness and peace the honor and praise that cometh from God.

CHARLEY loved the truth, and he enjoyed the freedom that truth alone can give. Believing, with all his heart, God's record of his Son, he was soon after the war, baptized into the church of Christ, and died as he had lived, faithful to his King.

He loved God and he loved his neighbors, and having lived peaceably and walked humbly, he rests from his labors and his works follow him.

There is a calm for those who weep,
A rest for weary pilgrims found;
They softly lie and sweetly sleep,
Low in the ground.

The storm that rocks the wintry sky,
No more disturbs his deep repose,
Than Summer evenings' latest sigh,
That shuts the rose.

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IT WAS THE FIRST HOUSE TO REDUCE CHARGES. THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICES OBTAINED.

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It May Save Your Life.

There is no person living but what suffers more or less with Lung Disease, Coughs, Colds, or Consumption, yet some would die rather than pay 75 cents for a bottle of medicine that would cure them. Dr. A. Boschee's German Syrup has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wondrous cures astonishes every one that tries it. If you doubt what we say in print, cut this out and take it to your Druggist, Dr. V. O. Thompson, Winston, N. C., and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it, or a regular size for 75 cents.

PATTERSON & CO. Keep a well selected line of
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They will soon add to their stock a line of WINDOW CURTAINS, bought of A. T. Stewart & Co., in elegant designs and at very low prices.

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Their's is the only house in this part of the State that can furnish BURIAL CASES, and BURIAL ROBES, the latest and handsomest garments for enrobing the dead.

Meeting of the Board of Education.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION for Forsyth County will meet at the Court House in Winston on the first Monday of February next, and all persons having busines before said Board, are hereby notified to attend. J. H. WHITE,
Jan.-13-No-2. Clerk of Board.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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BEING desirous of making a change in my business, I will sell the STOREHOUSE and LOT, opposite the Female Academy, on the corner formerly known as "Hall's Corner." Will sell Storehouse either with or without stock of goods. It is one of the best stands in Salem or Winston.
Apply to
Aug. 16, 1875-tf. B. F. CROSLAND.

NOTICE!

HAVING duty qualified as Public Administrator, with the will annexed, on the estate of ANNA M. BLUM, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate, are requested to come forward at once and make payment to me; and all those having claims against the said estate, are hereby notified to present them duly proven, within twelve months from this date, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
D. P. MAST, Public Administrator.
Salem, N. C., December 1st, 1875.

LAND FOR SALE!

I offer for sale a valuable tract of land, lying in Davidson County, near the Salisbury Road, within eight miles of Salem, adjoining the lands of Joseph Miller, Jr., Timothy Fishel, and others, containing ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE ACRES of which 20 acres are cleared and in a good state of cultivation, there being not less than half of this 20 acres in ORCHARD OF THE MOST CHOICE FRUITS, and in good bearing condition. The remaining 85 acres are well timbered—white oak and hickory being abundant.

This tract lies within one-fourth of a mile of J. H. Miller's Foundry and Machine Shop, and is a very desirable location for a mechanic, farmer, or tradesman. I will sell this land privately, at any time between this and the 1st of March, and parties wishing to purchase will do well to apply at once.

For further particulars, call on or address,
C. A. HEGE, Salem Agr'l Works,
No-1-4w. Salem, N. C.

Holiday Announcement!

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GLASS AND PARIAN WARE,

CONFECTIONERIES,

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The undersigned begs leave to inform his friends and customers, that he has received his CHRISTMAS STOCK OF GOODS; consisting of FANCY GOODS, TOYS, CONFECTIONERIES, FRESH PLAIN AND FRENCH CONDIES, of his own manufacture; NUTS, RAISINS, FIGS, CURRANTS, French and Stewing PRUNES, CITRON, BANANA'S, ORANGES, CRANBERRIES, &c, &c.

In short everything suited to the season in his line, at the lowest reasonable figures. Thanking his friends for the liberal patronage heretofore received, he hopes to continue to deserve the same encouragement in future,
F. W. MELLER.
Salem, N. C., Dec. 9, 1875.-No.-49.

The Best Books for Boys and Girls of all ages and tastes are now on the shelves at Blum's Bookstore, at all prices.

A Useful & Beautiful Holiday Gift,—Those who wish to please their wives and daughters will be glad to learn that Mr. Jones, the General Agent of Wilson's Sewing Machine, will discount five per cent. from list prices, from December 1st to January 1st. Such a liberal offer is seldom extended to the public. †

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Corn,	00 a 75	Salt	1 50 a 0 0
Wheat,	1 10 a 1 20	" American,	0 00
Flour,	2 75 a 3 00	Candles ada,	18 a 20
Meal,	2½ a 0	Oils, Linseed,	0.00 a 1.25
Chop,	2 a 2	" Kerosene,	22 a 30
Bacon	13½ a 18	Sheetings, Fries' B.	8
Pork,	0 00 a 9 00	" " A	8½
Lard,	12½ a 18	Yarn, Fries.	0 00 a 1 15
Eggs,	00 a 15	Iron,	5 a
Molasses,	35 a 40	Nails,	4½ a 5
Cheese Fac.	18 a 25	Calf Skins, green,	10 cts.
" Mount.	15 a 20	Tallow,	8 a 10
Butter	25 a 00	Beeswax,	28 a 30
Peas,	80 a 00	Clover Seed,	0 00 a 8 00
Apples, green,	50 a 0 00	Home grown,	0.00 a 0.00
dried,	4 a 10	Barrels Flour, Fruit	5 0
Potatoes, sw.	50 a 00	Brick,	7.00 a 00.00
" irish,	50 a 00	Shingles,	
Coffee,	22 a 30	Long leaf pine,	4.50 a 5.50
Sugar,	8 a 15	Hay, per cwt.	50 a 60
" crushed,	15 a 18	Rags,	2½ a 3
Dried peel., peach.,	12½ a 22	Butter Beans,	15
" unpeel ½ "	6a 8	Dried Cherries	18 to 20
		Dried Blackberries,	0 to 10

WINSTON TOBACCO MARKET.

Lugs, Common,	$ 3 00 to 4 00
" Good working,	4 00 to 7 00
Bright medium smokers,	5 00 to 10 00
Fancy smokers,	10 00 to 20 00
Leaf, Common,	4 50 to 6 00
Good,	6 00 to 8 00
Medium wrappers,	8 00 to 12 00
Yellow "	10 00 to 25 00
Fancy "	25 00 to 45 00
Mahogany medium,	00 00 to 00 00
" good,	00 00 to 00 00

Danville Tobacco Market.

Primings	1 50 to 2 50
Lugs—Very Common,	3.00 to 5.00
" Medium,	5.00 to 6.00
Fine Smokers,	10.00 to 16.00
Leaf—Common,	4.00 to 6.00
" Good	6.00 to 7.50
Wrappers—Medium,	7.00 to 10 00
" Fine,	12.50 to 25.00
" Extra,	25.00 to 50 0

Richmond Tobacco Market.

NEW.

PRIMINGS—Loose,	$1 50 a 4 00
Prized,	2 00 a 4 00
LUGS,—Loose and prized,	2 50 a 5.00
LEAF.—Common to medium,	4 50 a 5 50
Good,	8 00 a 9 00
Good fine brown and dark,	10 00 a 13 00
WRAPPERS.—Bright yellow, common to good,	12 50 a 25 00
Fine do do do	35 00 a 50 00

OLD.

BLACK.

LUGS—Common	$ 4 00 to 6 00
Good	7 50 to 8 00
Extra	8 00 to 9 00
LEAF—Common	8 00 to 9 00
Medium to good	9 00 to 10 00
Fine	15 00 to 16 00

BRIGHT.

LUGS—Common chaffy smokers and fillers,	8 00 to 10 00
Medium to good smokers and fillers,	11 50 to 15 00
Extra smokers	25 00 to 35 00
LEAF—Medium to good fillers	10 00 to 12 00
Extra fillers	17 00 to 20 00
WRAPPERS—Common	18 00 to 25 00
Medium to good	30 00 to 45 00
Fine	50 00 to 65 00
Extra	75 00 to 80 00

MAHOGANY.

WRAPPERS—Common to medium	15 00 to 20 00
Good to fine	25 00 to 35 00

DAPPLE.

WRAPPERS.—Good to fine	30 00 to 35 00
Extra	35 00 to 50 00

Fayetteville, Jan. 5.—Bacon 12 a 15 Flour, $6.00 a $6 50; Corn 0 70 a 0 75; Oats 00 a 60; Rye, $1 00; Wheat, $1 20 a $1 30 Lard, 16 a 18; Brandy, $2 00; Whisky, corn $1 50 a $1 70; rye, a $2 00 a $2 25; Salt $0 50 a 1 40; Salt 1 40 a 1 50.

Charlotte, Jan. 10.—Bacon 12½ a 15; Flour, $3 00 a $3 50; Corn, 60 a 65; Oats, 55 60; Wheat, $1 20 a $1 30; Brandy, $1 75 a $2 00.

PAPER.—Latest styles of Plain and Fancy Note Paper put up in boxes, embracing
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INFELICE is Mrs. Augusta Evans Wilson's new and charming book, probably the best ever written by this most fascinating Southern authoress. The work is selling fast and Carlton's presses in New York are task ed to their utmost to produce them fast enough to supply the demand at Blums.

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We call the attention of all classes who wish printing executed neatly, expeditiously, and upon reasonable terms, to the facilities offered at the People's Press Printing Establishment We can furnish, at short notice,
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Notice.

MRS. THOMAS J. BONER, has resumed the business of Coloring and Cleansing, and is prepared to Dye every description of ladies and gentlemen's wear.
Salt St., 3rd door from corner, back of the Bank.
Salem Oct. 28, 1875.—43.

Music.—A choice lot of Sheet Music, carefully selected by Prof. E. W. Lineback, for sale at the NOTION STORE.

Something Nice for Christmas.

A fine lot of PICTURE FRAMES, Large and Small just received at LINEBACK'S PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY.

Large PHOTOGRAPHS for FRAMING, reproducted from Oil Paintings, Crayon Drawings, &c. The very things for Presents. They are choice.
Call and see them.

NOVEMBER 16, 1875.

Our Second Stock of Fall & Winter Goods.

HODGIN, HINSHAW & CO.,

We have just received the Largest and most varied stock of GOODS ever offered in Winston or Salem.

We buy for Cash only, and in quantities that enable us to get bottom prices, consequently we are offering goods at EXTREMELY LOW PRICES.

Our stock consists of every article of goods used by the masses of the people.

Heavy Groceries, Iron, Leather and Nails

MADE A SPECIALTY.

We invite all to examine our stock and prices. All salable produce bought and sold,
Nov. 18, 1875.

LOCAL ITEMS.

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Salem, N. C., Post Office Arrangement.—Office hours from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. during the week. As no mails arrive or depart on Sunday the office will not be open on that day.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND CLOSING THE MAILS

Railroad, from Greensboro to Salem, closes every day, except Sundays, at 7, a. m.; due every day except Sunday, by 6.30, p. m.

Mount Airy mail, *via* Old Town, Bethania, Five Forks, Little Yadkin, Pilot Mountain, Flat Shoals and Tom's Creek: closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6 30, a. m.; due, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, by 3. p. m.

Madison mail, *via* Sedge Garden, Germanton and Walnut Cove, due, Monday, Wednesday and Friday by 5 p. m.; Closes, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 6 30 a. m.

Jerusalem mail, *via* Friedberg, Miller's Mill, Elbaville and Fulton: closes every Wednesday at 6, a. m. due, every Thursday, 7, p. m.

Jonesville mail, *via* Mt. Tabor, Vienna, Red Plains East Bend and Booneville: due every Friday, by 7 p. m.; closes every Saturday, at 6, a. m.

Walkertown mail, *via* Salem Chapel, White Road, Belew's Creek Mills and Blakely: closes every Friday, at 4 30, p. m.; due, every Saturday, by 7, p. m.

Huntsville mail via Clemmonsville, Lewisville and Panther Creek, closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6 30. a. m.; due Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 3 p. m.

H. W. SHORE, P. M.

LOCAL NOTICES.—Notices will be published in our local columns at 20 cents per line, every insertion, for regular customers who have standing advertisements in the PRESS. Otherwise, 25 cents per line for each insertion.

OBITUARY NOTICES.—All obituary notices and tributes of respect, over ten lines, will be charged at advertising rates. Terms cash.

BLANKS, Land Deeds, Mortgage Deeds, Chattle Mortgages, Magistrates Summons Judgments and Executions, for sale at the PRES Office.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER was duly observed, and the meetings well attended. During the week the resident ministers conducted the services. On Sunday evening the church was crowded to its utmost extent. Rev. A. L. Oerter conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Heitman and Albea, of the Methodist church, in Winston, and Rev. Reed and Bishop Foster of the Northern Methodist church. The meetings were highly interesting.

A New Stock of Calico just opened and selling rapidly at **8** and **10** cents a yard.
Jan. 6, 1876. WOMMACK & CO.

TOBACCO FACTORIES.—We learn that Mr. D. R. Leak will remove his Tobacco Factory from Charlotte to this place. Mr. Hay, late of Rockingham county, will also commence manufacturing tobacco in this place, in the Spring.

LIEUT. H. R. LEMLY, 3rd U. S. Cavalry, at home on furlough, called on us a few days since. We are glad to see our young friend, and congratulate his parents on their pleasant family reunion, his brother, Ensign Samuel C. Lemly, of the Navy, being also at home.

Lieut. Lemly has our thanks for a beautiful specimen of an Indian Pipe presented to him by the distinguished chief Spotted Tail, and used at the late sessions of the "Black Hills Indian Commission."

A FRESH SUPPLY OF CASSIMERES, JEANS, and a splendid lot of OVERCOATING *cheap* at WOMMACK'S

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS HUNTING IN DAVIDSON, DAVIE AND FORSYTH.—DAVIDSON.—Strupe & Co., in the Clemmonsville neighborhood, caught thirty rabbits in a short days' hunt, during the holidays.

A party of hunters in the vicinity of Thomasville, caught 60 rabbits in one day's hunt.

Messrs. Editors:—A few more lines from Davidson and then I am done. We had a good time down here during the Christmas holidays. Everybody appeared to be in a good humor. Old Santa Claus had plenty of candy and cakes for the little folks, and us boys made the rabbits "git up and git." We hunted part of Christmas Day and part of New Year's Day, and caught sixty-four rabbits. I think that Davidson surely can show a little longer list than Sandy and Joe. DAVIDSON.

DAVIE.—Idol & Co., Idol's Ferry, Davie county, opened the New Year by starting out on a big hunt. Before day they had caught four coons, and after sun-up the sport commenced in good earnest, resulting in bagging sixty rabbits before sun-down.

FORSYTH.—On New Year's Day, Matt. Stewart & Co, on Soakus Creek, a few miles below town, caught in a short day's hunt, thirty-seven rabbits.

P. E. Light & Co., Waughtown, three miles east of Salem, caught forty-seven rabbits, two squirrels, and one 'possum.

And now we wind up with *Snakes in January*. On the plantation of Wm. Ebert, a few miles west of Salem, during the past warm spell of weather, four black snakes were killed on his "new ground." Lizzards also made their appearance, frogs piped in the marshes, and a few grasshoppers filled up the measure of unusual sights in the midst of winter. The centennial year promises to be a year of wonders at home and abroad.

The meadow lark and Robin Redbreast were singing in the meadows, during the past week, with frog accompaniment.

500 **CHICKENS** wanted immediately. Will pay CASH or GOODS for them at WOMMACK'S.

Rev. Mr. REED, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, North, preached an excellent sermon in the Moravian Church on Sunday morning last.

BLED TO DEATH.—Walter Hobbs, 13 years of age, son of M. V. Hobbs, of Center Grove, Township, Guilford county, while chopping wood in the forest, accidentally cut his foot, on the 17th ult., severing an artery, causing his death from loss of blood, the next morning.

WOMMACK & CO have just received a complete line of NEW GOODS and offer their numerous customers a complete stock for the NEW YEAR, cheap for cash or barter.
January 6, 1876.

Peach trees are in bloom in Raleigh. In this section, in some localities, Spring flowers have make their appearance, and another week of warm weather would have brought out the peach blossom.

For the last few days the weather has been cold and frosty.

THE FOX that has caused so much talk in the Jos. Knause and Sandy Snider settlement, is reported caught and torn to pieces by dogs on Sunday night last. The dogs were out on their own hunt, and no one was there to secure the brush.

A large stock of DRESS GOODS. At reduced prices. J. L. FULKERSON
Salem, N. C., Jan. 6th 1876.

NORTHERN METHODIST CONFERENCE.—This body was in session in the Court-House, during the last week, and concluded its business on Saturday last. Besides the daily business sessions, there were services and preaching every evening from Wednesday till Saturday. The presiding officer, Bishop Foster, is a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio. The Winston *Sentinel* says:

"From appearances he is about sixty-five years of age, with a venerable look and pleasant face, presides with dignity, and has a fineness of manner that commands respect. He makes a very favorable impression on those who see him.

"About three-fourths of the preachers present are colored, and they present an intelligent and respectable appearance, and compare favorably with their white brethren."

The Bishop preached an excellent sermon on Sunday morning last in the Court-House, after which one Elder was ordained. In the afternoon, Rev. Dr. Reed preached, after which five persons were ordained Deacons of the Church—five colored and one white.

Appointments.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

T B F James, Presiding Elder.
Gaston and Cleaveland, John Bradshaw.
Surry and Wilkes, J N Barker.
Yadkin and South Wilkes, W M Bagby.
Watauga and Ashe, J M Welborn, and one to be supplied.
Burke and Caldwell, T W Matney.
Lincoln and Catawba, Hardy Vernon.
Cabarrus and Stanley, F S Gladston.
Polk and McDowell, W Rawlings.
Union, to be supplied.
Davie " " "

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

M Alston, Presiding Elder.
Charlotte and Mecklenburg, E. Walker.
Gaston and Wellspring, J W Clodicutt.
South Catawba, J E Champlin.
Thomasville, Isaac Wells.
High Point and Trinity, H F Pope.
Midway and Abbotts Creek, Richard Ayers.
Danbury, W Gray.
Winston and Kernersville, L B Gibson.
Montgomery and Davidson, to be supplied.
East Randolph, A Conner.
Center, to be supplied.
Gold Hill and Albemarle, to be supplied.
Caldwell and Alexander, J H Counce.
Mt. Airy, S S Haines.

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

W W Morgan, Presiding Elder.
Greensboro, E Moten.
Guilford, J Payne.
Alamance, to be supplied.
Wentworth, " "
Reidsville, W Walker.
Laurensburg and Cool Spring, A Moore.
Lumberton and Mt. Zion, W C Gibson.
New Hope and Zion Chapel, R C Spaulding.
Salem and Shoe Hill, J W Brown.
Anson and Richmond, to be supplied.
Beauty Spot and Dog Wood, to be supplied.
M Alston, Financial Ag't, Bennett Seminary.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

W G Matton, Presiding Elder.
Stokes, Rockingham and Forsythe, E J Bird.
Deep River, W B Richardson.
Cool Spring, to be supplied.
Uwariah, T M Joiner.
Lexington and High Point, C G Deming.
Warren to be supplied.
Wilmington, to be supplied.
Beaufort and Harper's Island, M H Wilson.
Pee Dee, to be supplied.
J C Mills, Missionary to Italy.
C G Deming, Principal N C Seminary.
W G Matton, Financial Agent N C Seminary.

NEW BERNE DISTRICT.

G W Prince, Presiding Elder.
New Berne and Kinston, M G Croom.
Goldsboro, to be supplied.
Wilmington Mission, Z T Pearsoll.
Obeilia, D Cornell.
Love Hill, to be supplied.
Oxford D Brooks.

TOY BOOKS.—The Standard Toy Books in profusion at Blum's Bookstore, in paper and beautifully bound in cloth.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—At a regular convention of Salem Lodge, K. of P., held in their Castle Hall, January 5th, 1876, the following officers were installed by D. D. G. C. John H. Shultz:

C. C.—E. A. Ebert.
V. C.—R. A. Hamilton.
Prelate—W. G. Bahnson.
M. of E.—C. W. Vogler.
M. of F.—E. W. Willis.
K. of R. & S.—John H. Shultz.
M. at A.—C. E. Crist.
I. G.—H. S. Crist.
O. G.—A. L. Brietz.
Lodge meets every Wednesday night.

This Lodge will in the course of a few weeks give a Grand Tableaux entertainment and we bespeak for them a generous encouragement.

SOMETHING NEW.

The INDEPENDENCE BREAD PLATE—represents the 13 original States with their representatives in Congress 100 years ago.

Nice for daily use in every family. Sold by J. L. FULKERSON.
Jan. 6th, 1876.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFRAY occurred near Moravia, Appanose county, Iowa, which resulted in the death of Charles Herbst, under the following circumstances: The two sons of Mr. Herbst were quarrelling and fighting, and in attempting to part them he was struck on the head by one of the boys, which caused his death the next morning, December 30th, 1875.

Charlie was formerly of this place, and was well known, and has numerous friends here who regret his untimely end, and deeply sympathize with the afflicted family.

IF YOU WANT FULL VALUE FOR YOUR MONEY GET BEST GOODS of J. L FULKERSON.
Jan. 6th, 1876.

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Quarterly Meeting in the Methodist Church on Saturday and Sunday, 15th and 16th of January. Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, Presiding Elder.

ROADS.—It gives us great pleasure to state that the Clemmonsville road is in very good condition, due mainly to the energy and skill of Wm. Jarvis and his neighbors, who certainly deserve commendation for the excellent work done. The road bed is broad and the causeway, wherever necessary, is well laid and wide enough for wagons to pass each other with ease.

MR. A. FOGLE, of this place, slaughtered two hogs on Tuesday last, weighing respectively 545 and 520 The latter was eighteen months old.

Mr. A. Butner recently killed four hogs weighing over 1,400 pounds.

Our young friend, Mr. John Brown, is with S. E. Allen, of the new Hardware Store, Gray's Corner, in Winston.

We learn that rabbits are so plenty in the neighborhood of Lewisville, in this county, that the Nurserymen have considerable trouble to protect their young trees.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT.—Wm. Marshall, insane, was ordered to be confined in the county jail for safe keeing.

Notice was ordered to be given through the newspapers that the Board of Education would meet on the first Monday in February.

The "Boss of the Mill Wagon" had his long range spectacles to get disarranged yesterday at noon as he was coming down Main street, and one of those familiar smiles began to spread over his face, as he thought that he saw a monkey sitting on a goods box in front of one of the stores; but when he arranged his spectacles and discovered that it was a little "nigger" eating pea-nuts, his anger at "Buck" was amusing to behold.

Mr. Wiggins' daughter got married the other day, and Mr. Wiggins was in good spirits; and judging from the numerous visits that he paid to a gallon jug hid behind the barn, Mr. Wiggins had an abundance of good *spirits* in himself. Anyhow, from the strange adventures that he had that day one would think so.

The happy couple, accompanied by some of their young friends, went to the Squire's to get spliced, while Wiggins and his wife remained at home to prepare the supper. Now it happened, a short time after the couple had left, that Wiggins took a notion that he must go and see the knot tied. So paying the jug behind the barn another visit, he struck out to overtake the wedding party; but after walking about two miles, he discovered that he only had one boot on, the other one having been left at home. Not wishing to make such a ridiculous appearance before the Squire, he retraced his steps homeward, taking the precaution, however, to go through the fields, so that people living along the public road should not see him. Coming to a branch, and feeling rather thirsty, he kneeled down to drink, when he happened to see his shadow in the water, and mistaking it for a man grabbling for eels, he spent half an hour asking it questions before he discovered his mistake. Straightening up, and ballaneing himself, he struck a bee-line for home, which place he was not long in reaching; and telling his wife that he believed she was drunk, he went to bed, where he remained until the wedding party returned from the Squire's. Then getting up, he visited the jug again, and was ready for supper, and numerous and ridiculous were the mistakes that he made at the table: He got hold of a pone of corn bread, and after devouring several large slices, told a young lady sitting by his side, that he believed it was the best pound cake he ever ate. Then looking at his wife, who sat opposite to him, he asked her how her husband came on, and why he didn't come to the wedding; and when the company laughed at him because he put salt in his coffee instead of sugar, he joined in too. Other mistakes, such as stirring his coffee with a pickle, upsetting dishes, &c., kept the company in a roar of laughter until the supper was through with.

The supper being over, the young folks got up a play, and Mr. Wiggins, after paying a few more visits to the jug, felt pretty well used up, and retired, to wake up next morning with a severe headache, brought on by *eating too many good things* for supper.

I. O. O. F.—The following are the Officers of Salem Lodge, No. 36, I. O. O. F., elected and installed for the ensuing term:

N. G.—S. D. Franklin.
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R. S. S.—E. A. Strupe.
L. S. S.— ——— Styres.

Kernersville Correspondence.

MESSRS EDITORS:—Christmas passed off very pleasantly here at Kernersville. On the evening of the 25th, there was preaching in the Moravian church, then followed a series of interesting exercises on the part of the Sunday School children, consisting of recitations and singing, and what added to the interest of the whole was the accompaniment of a new organ, obtained through your townsman, Prof. E. W. Linebaek, from the establishment of Daniel F. Beatty, Washington, New Jersey, and said by those professing to be judges, to be an excellent instrument of the kind.

After having been pleasantly entertained for several hours, and when every body thought the exercises were about over, there was a movement in a different part of the house, and we all wondered "what now?"—When Master De Witt Harmon, 10 years old, came forward and delivered a valedictory, as the representative of the Sunday Schools, expressive of good wishes for a happy Christmas to all present; and being possessed of good speaking powers for one of his years, he performed the part assigned him with success. And then last, though not least, came the lighted christmas tapers, filling the hearts of the little ones with gladness, and bringing out one fact that somebody had been taking pains and spending time to bring about this occasion of enjoyment for old and young, and this person was Mrs. R., the wife of the Pastor of the Moravian Church;—"give honor, to whom honor is due."

On the last night of the 31st of December, there was likewise meeting in the church, bidding adieu to the old and welcoming the new year; and as a supplement, the prayer week has been kept with us, and well attended throughout.

On Christmas night, the pastor made a request of the gentlemen present, (the ladies not being interested, as they do not chew tobacco) to please not spit on the floor; and although there has been services held in the church almost every night since, that request has been strictly complied with, showing that the parties were indeed gentlemen.

On the first Sunday in the new year, the Rev. Solomon Holsebeck, who has been appointed to the Forsyth circuit, preached his introductory sermon in the Methodist church here. Rev. J. W. Lewis, his predecessor, is on North Guilford circuit, who called round last week and took charge of the prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, as on that occasion it was held in his church. Rev. Howard Pegram, Protestant Methodist, has been reappointed for this place, which they hold as a mission. This makes his third year here.

Moravian preaching is the 2nd and 4th Sundays; Episcopal Methodist 1st and Protestant Methodist 3rd Sunday; Prayer meeting in the Moravian church every Tuesday, and in the Methodist church every Wednesday evening,—so you see, if any of our people go to the bad—it will not be for want of church privileges. But I must add, we are emphatically a church-going people; and the same must be said in justice to our colored citizens; they are quiet, peaceable, mind their own business, and attend punctually to their church services and Sunday School, all carried on by themselves, and the consequence is, we get along without any trouble.

But I must close; and my letter like Burn's Epistle to a young friend, turns out to be neither, "a song, nor a sermon," but such as it is, it will have to go for this time.

C. L. R.

Kernersville, Jan. 10th, 1876.

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My heart was hard and cruel then—
'Twas light and thoughtless; now I know!
Before me in the lust of health
Stood pleasure, plenty, luxury, wealth,
I craved, nor spared, the prize to win,
Bad deeds, with many wiles of sin.

I won. Each prize was turned to dust—
The dust to plague of sin and wrath;
My heart was smitten in its lust,
And, fainting, turned me from that path.
In vain, in vain, I sought relief
In dark remorse and silent grief.
Nor stifled sobs nor inward groans
Could heal the bruises of my bones.

"Lord, give me one short hour of peace,"
I kneeled to heaven and humbly cried—
"O, let this awful anguish cease—
For such as me of old you died.
I know your broken laws are just,
But you have mercy—I have trust—
Trust in your love, your mercy, Lord,
Your cross, your blood, your promised word."

He heard me! And where'er I rove,
To me, since then, all else is dross—
Save this—his love—the old, old love
That saved the thief upon the cross.
I'll sing it when I come or leave,
I'll sing it morning, noon or eve,
I'll sing it while I live or die,
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Four gentlemen and an old minister were assailed on the highway by three robbers, who demanded and took possession of all their funds. The old minister pleaded very hard to be allowed a little money as he was on his way to pay a debt. The highwaymen, being generous fellows, gave him all his money back again on condition of his preaching them a sermon. Accordingly they retired a little distance from the road and the minister addressed them as follows:

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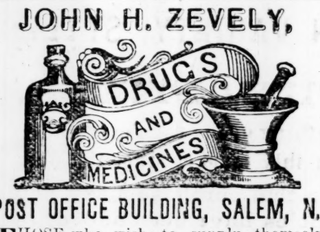

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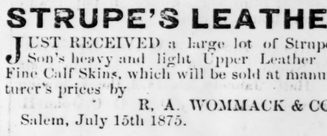

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